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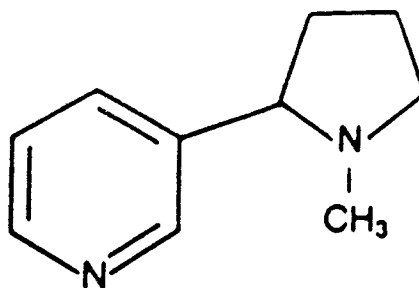
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Scientific Program

All symposium presentations and poster sessions will be held in **Seigneurie rooms I and II**. The Conference Secretariat office will be open during the entire meeting. It is situated on the main floor in room **Courmayeur**.

Thursday, July 21 - PM

14:00 - 19:00 **REGISTRATION** *mm*

19:00 - 20:00 **SESSION 1: Overview** *- make name (from)*
Chairperson: K. Thurau, Germany
(15 min presentation plus 5 min discussion)

19:00 **S1** - Current controversies in nicotine research
P.B.S. Clarke, Canada *mm*

19:20 **S2** - Acute biological effects of nicotine and its metabolites
N.L. Benowitz, USA

19:40 **S3** - Involvement of nicotine and its metabolites in the pathology of
smoking and smoking-related diseases: Facts and hypotheses
F. X. Adlkofer, Germany

20:00 **BARBECUE ON TERRACE**

Friday, July 22 - AM

08:30 - 12:00 **SESSION 2: Structure and function of nicotinic receptors**
Chairpersons: J. Patrick, USA and D. Bertrand, Switzerland
(20 min presentation plus 10 min discussion)

08:30 **S4** - Assembly of the alpha7 containing neuronal nicotinic
acetylcholine receptor
J. Patrick, USA

09:00 **S5** - Biochemical characterization of neuronal nicotinic receptors
F. Clementi, Italy

09:30 **S6** - Neuronal nicotinic receptor structure and function
J.M. Lindstrom, USA

10:00 **BREAK/POSTERS (refreshments will be served)**

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Friday, July 22 - AM (cont'd)

- 10:30 S7 - Determinants regulating neuronal nicotinic receptor function
D. Bertrand, Switzerland
- 11:00 S8 - Expression, function, and regulation of neuronal ACh receptors
containing the $\alpha 7$ gene product
D. Berg, USA
- 11:30 S9 - Regulation of acetylcholine receptor genes expression during
synaptogenesis in muscle and brain
J.-P. Changeux, France
- 12:00 LUNCH

Friday, July 22 - PM

- 13:30 - 15:10 **SESSION 3: Nicotinic receptor regulation and tolerance**
Chairpersons: M.J. Marks, USA and K.J. Kellar, USA
(15 min presentation plus 5 min discussion)
- 13:30 S11 - The role of desensitization in CNS nicotinic receptor function
P.M. Lippiello, USA
- 13:50 S10 - Biochemical measures of nicotinic receptor desensitization
M.J. Marks, USA
- 14:10 S12 - Presynaptic heteroreceptors, autoreceptors and nicotinic receptor
subtypes
S. Wonnacott, UK
- 14:30 S13 - Regulation of neuronal nicotinic receptors: *In vivo* and *in vitro* studies
K.J. Kellar, USA
- 14:50 S14 - Conditioned tolerance to nicotine in rats
A.R. Caggiula, USA
- 15:10 - 18:00 **BREAK/POSTERS**

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Friday, July 22 - PM (cont'd)

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19:00 - 22:00 POSTER SESSION (wine, cheese, and more...)

There will be five awards (\$1,000 each) for the best poster presentations at the meeting. All meeting participants will be invited to submit their selection of the three best posters.

Saturday, July 23 - AM

08:30 - 12:00 SESSION 4: Neuronal, trophic and endocrine effects of nicotine

Chairpersons: M.J. Rand, Australia and K. Fuxe, Sweden
(15 min presentation plus 5 min discussion)

~~08:30~~

S15 - Developmental effects of nicotine ✓
T.A. Slotkin, USA

~~08:50~~

S16 - Potentiation of transmission via presynaptic nicotine-activated channels permeable to calcium and blocked by α -BgTx
L.W. Role, USA

~~09:10~~

S17 - Electrophysiology of nicotinic receptors in rodent CNS
C. Mulle, France

~~09:30~~

S18 - Factors controlling nicotinic acetylcholine receptor expression on rat sympathetic neurons
E. Cooper, Canada

09:50

BREAK/POSTERS (refreshments will be served)
Deadline for submission of poster award voting slips

~~10:20~~

S19 - A role for the nicotinic α -bungarotoxin receptor in growth related processes
M. Quik, Canada

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S20 - Mechanisms of nicotine stimulated cell proliferation in normal and neoplastic neuroendocrine lung cells
H.M. Schuller, USA

~~11:00~~

S21 - Brainstem catecholaminergic pathways activated by nicotine are involved in the hippocampal expression of c-FOS mRNA and protein, stimulation of the hypothalamic paraventricular nucleus and secretion of ACTH
B.M. Sharp, USA

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11:20	S22 - Nicotine-induced gene expression of proenkephalin in bovine chromaffin cells V. Höllt, Germany
11:40	S23 - Effects of nicotine on thromboxane and leukotriene synthesis in cellular systems M. Goerig, Germany
12:00	LUNCH

13:30 - 18:00 SESSION 5: Nicotine and smoking: Current controversies
Chairpersons: K. Bättig, Switzerland and A.C. Collins, USA
(10 min presentation plus 5 min discussion)

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Saturday, July 23 - PM (cont'd)

- 15:30 **S31** - Nicotine intake is regulated in humans
M.A.H. Russell, UK
- 15:45 **S32** - There is more to smoking than the CNS effects of nicotine
J. Rose, USA
- 16:00 **S33** - Pharmacological determinants of cigarette smoking
J.E. Henningfield, USA
- 16:15 **S34** - Psychological resources from nicotine
D.M. Warburton, UK
- 16:30 **S26** - Evidence that nicotine is addictive
I.P. Stolerman, UK
- 16:45 **S35** - Nicotine is addictive
R. West, UK
- 17:00 **S36** - Science and common-sense support the view that nicotine is
not addictive
J.H. Robinson, USA
- 17:15 **S37** - Individual differences in tobacco use may be related to
genetically-determined differences in responses to nicotine
A.C. Collins, USA
- 17:30 General Discussion - Is there a resolution?
- 19:30 **BANQUET (a night to remember!)**
Announcement of poster award winners

Sunday, July 24 - AM

- 08:30 - 12:30 SESSION 6: Nicotine and human diseases**
Chairpersons: K. Kochsiek, Germany and R. Quirion, Canada
(15 min presentation plus 5 min discussion)
- 08:30 **S38** - Relationship between smoking, nicotine and ulcerative colitis
G. Thomas, UK

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Sunday, July 24 - AM (cont'd)

- 08:50 **S39** - Beneficial effects of nicotine in Tourette's syndrome
P.R. Sanberg, USA
- 09:10 **S40** - Nicotine and neuropsychiatric disorders
J.R. Hughes, USA
- 09:30 **S41** - Nicotine, auditory gating, and schizophrenia
R. Freedman, USA
- 09:50 **S42** - Epidemiology of smoking and Parkinson's disease
J.A. Baron, USA
- 10:10 **S43** - Nicotine and animal models of Parkinson's disease
A.M. Janson, Sweden
- 10:30 BREAK (refreshments will be served; posters should
be removed at this time)**
- 11:00 **S44** - Memory enhancing effects of nicotine
E.D. Levin, USA
- 11:20 **S45** - Possible mechanisms underlying beneficial effects of nicotine
on cognitive function
M.H. Joseph, UK
- 11:40 **S46** - Nicotinic modulation of cognitive functioning in humans
P.A. Newhouse, USA
- 12:00 CLOSING REMARKS**
M.J. Rand, Australia
- 12:30 CLOSING LUNCHEON**

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR POSTER PRESENTERS

The poster sessions will be held in Seigneurie I and II. Poster boards are numbered 1 - 137. The posters can be mounted after 3:00 p.m. on Thursday July 21 on the poster boards whose number corresponds to that of your poster abstract(s). Please refer to the first author index at the end of the Abstract Book for the appropriate poster abstract number. The posters will be on display for the duration of the meeting. Author attendance is requested during the BREAK/POSTER periods and at the poster wine and cheese evening.

Please note that the posters should be removed by 11:00 a.m. Sunday, July 24.

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The Verum Foundation for Behaviour and Environment will award five prizes of \$1,000 Can each to the first authors of the best posters presented at the International Symposium on Nicotine in Ste Adèle. The winners will be selected by the conference participants. The scientific importance of the results and their visual presentation are to be appraised at a ratio of 2:1. The point system ranges from 1 (low) to 10 (high). Sum total = points for 'scientific relevance' x 2 + points for 'visual presentation'. Each participant may select three posters.

Voters are requested to fill out the voting slip and return it to the Conference Secretariat.

Deadline: Saturday, July 23 at 10:30 a.m.

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SESSION 2: STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION OF NICOTINIC RECEPTORS

- S4 Assembly of the Alpha7 Containing Neuronal Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor, J. Patrick, D. Char, D. Chen, L. Colquhoun, H. Dang, F. Goldner, S. Helekar, K. Dineley and S. Neff
- S5 Biochemical Characterization of Neuronal Nicotinic Receptors, C. Gotti and F. Clementi
- S6 Neuronal Nicotinic Receptor Structure and Function, J.M. Lindstrom
- S7 Determinants Regulating Neuronal Nicotinic Receptor Function, D. Bertrand, S. Bertrand, I. Forster and J.-P. Changeux
- S8 Expression, Function, and Regulation of Neuronal ACh Receptors Containing the $\alpha 7$ Gene Product, D. Berg, W. Conroy, R. Corriveau, P. Pugh, M. Rathouz, S. Romano, S. Vijayaraghavan and Z.-W. Zhang
- S9 Regulation of Acetylcholine Receptor Genes Expression during Synaptogenesis in Muscle and Brain, J.-P. Changeux, J.L. Bessereau, A. Bessis, A. Duclert, C. Le Poupon, H.O. Nghi  m, A.M. Salmon and N. Savatier

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SESSION 3: NICOTINIC RECEPTOR REGULATION AND TOLERANCE

- S10 Biochemical Measures of Nicotinic Receptor Desensitization, M.J. Marks, S.R. Grady, S.F. Robinson, A.E. Bullock and A.C. Collins
- S11 The Role of Desensitization in CNS Nicotinic Receptor Function, P.M. Lippiello, M. Bencherif and R.J. Prince
- S12 Presynaptic Heteroreceptors, Autoreceptors and Nicotinic Receptor Subtypes, S. Wonnacott
- S13 Regulation of Neuronal Nicotinic Receptors: *In Vivo* and *In Vitro* Studies, K.J. Kellar, M.I. Davila-Garcia, Y. Xiao, R.A. Houghtling, R.D. Mellon, S.S. Qasba and C.M. Flores
- S14 Conditioned Tolerance to Nicotine in Rats, A.R. Caggiula, L.H. Epstein, S.M. Antelman, S. Knopf, K.A. Perkins, S. Saylor, E. Donny and R. Stiller

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- S19 A Role for the Nicotinic α -Bungarotoxin Receptor in Growth Related Processes, M. Quirk
- S20 Mechanisms of Nicotine Stimulated Cell Proliferation in Normal and Neoplastic Neuroendocrine Lung Cells, H.M. Schuller
- S21 Brainstem Catecholaminergic Pathways Activated by Nicotine are Involved in the Hippocampal Expression of c-Fos mRNA and Protein, Stimulation of the Hypothalamic Paraventricular Nucleus and Secretion of ACTH, B. Sharp

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- S22** Nicotine-Induced Gene Expression of Proenkephalin in Bovine Chromaffin Cells, V. Höllt, X. Wang and B. Bacher
- S23** Effects of Nicotine on Thromboxane and Leukotriene Synthesis in Cellular Systems, M. Goerig

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- S24** Smoking-Induced Alterations in Brain Electrical Activity: Normalization or Enhancement? V. Knott
- S25** Nicotine and Cognitive Effects, I. Hindmarch
- S26** Evidence that Nicotine is Addictive, I.P. Stolerman and M.J. Jarvis
- S27** Self-Administered Nicotine Acts Through the Ventral Tegmental Area: Implications for Drug Reinforcement Mechanisms, W.A. Corrigall
- S28** Desensitisation of the Stimulatory Effects of Nicotine on Dopamine Secretion in the Mesolimbic System of the Rat, D.J.K. Balfour and M.E.M. Benwell
- S29** Mechanisms of Acute and Chronic Tolerance to the Behavioral Effects of Nicotine, J.A. Rosecrans, J.R. James and L.D. Karan
- S30** Behavioral and Biochemical Analysis of Dependence Properties of Nicotine, T. Yanagita, Y. Wakasa and K. Ando
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- S37 Individual Differences in Tobacco Use May be Related to Genetically-Determined Differences in Responses to Nicotine, A.C. Collins, S.F. Robinson and M. Marks

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- S39 Beneficial Effects of Nicotine in Tourette's Syndrome, P.R. Sanberg and A.A. Silver
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- S41 Nicotine, Auditory Gating, and Schizophrenia, R. Freedman, L.E. Adler, P. Bickford, V. Luntz-Leybman, K. Wear, L.J. Hoffer, J. Griffith, M. Waldo, H. Coon, M. Myles-Worsley, S. Leonard and W. Byerley
- S42 Epidemiology of Smoking and Parkinson's Disease, J.A. Baron
- S43 Nicotine and Animal Models of Parkinson's Disease, A.M. Janson, A. Møller, P.B. Hedlund, G. von Euler and K. Fuxe
- S44 Memory Enhancing Effects of Nicotine, E.D. Levin and D. Torry
- S45 Possible Mechanisms Underlying Beneficial Effects of Nicotine on Cognitive Function, M.H. Joseph, G. Grigoryan, H. Hodges and J.A. Gray
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- P2** Effects of Denervation Upon Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor Clusters in Autonomic Neurons as Determined by Quantitative Laser Scanning Confocal Microscopy, P.B. Sargent and H.L. Wilson
- P3** Cellular Diversity in the Expression of Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor Subunits in the Chick Central Nervous System, E.M. Ullian and P.B. Sargent
- P4** Cellular and Subcellular Visualization of the $\beta 2$ - Subunit of the Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor in the Mouse Cerebral Cortex, R. Marks, J. Lindstrom and H. Schröder
- P5** Immunocharacterization of the Human Alpha 7 Neuronal Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor Subunit, M. Piattoni-Kaplan, D. Donnelly-Roberts, J. Pauly, D. Hill, J.B. Pan, S.P. Arneric and J.P. Sullivan
- P6** Localization of [^3H] Cytisine Nicotinic Binding Sites in Normal and Pathological Human Brain Using *In Vitro* Receptor Autoradiography, I. Aubert, D. Cécylre, S. Gauthier and R. Quirion

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- P7** Cloning and Functional Expression of Alpha 9: A Novel Acetylcholine-Gated Ion Channel, A.B. Elgoyhen, D. Johnson, J. Boulter, D. Vetter and S.F. Heinemann
- P8** Searching for an Acetylcholine-Gated Chloride Channel: Analysis of Cloned Leech Nicotinic Genes, R. Allen, M. Hartley and S. Heinemann
- P9** Heterologous Expression of Epitope-Tagged Neuronal Nicotinic and 5HT3A Receptor Subunits, J. Mukerji, E. Dumont and P. Séguéla

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- P11 Transcriptional Regulation of Human $\alpha 3$ Nicotinic Subunit, D. Fornasari, E. Battaglioli and F. Clementi
- P12 Regions of $\beta 2$ and $\beta 4$ that Affect the ACh Dose-Response Relations of Neuronal Nicotinic Receptors, B. Cohen, A. Figl, M.W. Quick, C. Labarca, N. Davidson and H.A. Lester
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- P16 Mutational Analysis of Novel Residues Identified within the Binding Site of d-Tubocurarine of *Torpedo* Acetylcholine Receptor, Y. Xie, D.C. Chiara and J.B. Cohen
- P17 Differential Binding of Nicotine and α -Bungarotoxin to Residues 173-204 of the Nicotinic Acetylcholine Receptor $\alpha 1$ Subunit, T.L. Lentz

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- P20 Tricyclopinate HCL-A New Synthetic Compound with both Muscarinic and Nicotinic Antagonistic Activities, C.-G. Liu, H. Wang, D.-L. Zhao, Z.-G. Gao, W.-Y. Cui, S.-P. Zhang, Q.-S. Qiao and Y.-Z. Ran

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- P22 The Marine Toxin Anabaseine is a Potent Nicotinic Agonist, W.R. Kem, V.M. Mahnir, B. Lin, C.J. Lingle, R.L. Papke and K. Prokai-Tatrai

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- P24 Interaction of ABT-418, Nicotine, and their Nor- and Epi- Analogs with Cholinergic Channel Receptors: Binding, Functional Activity, and Molecular Modeling Studies, M.W. Holladay, J.T. Wasicak, D. Donnelly-Roberts, D.J. Anderson, P. Pavlik, Y.C. Martin, D.S. Garvey, J.P. Sullivan and S.P. Arneric
- P25 ABT-418: *In Vitro* Properties of a Novel Cholinergic Channel Activator (ChCA) for the Potential Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease, J.P. Sullivan, D.J. Anderson, D. Donnelly-Roberts, G. Wilkie, S. Wonnacott, D.S. Garvey, M. Williams and S.P. Arneric
- P26 Effects of ABT-418 on Nicotinic Receptor Mediated $^{86}\text{Rb}^+$ Efflux from Mouse Brain Synaptosomes, M.J. Marks, S.F. Robinson and D. Donnelly-Roberts
- P27 [^3H]ABT-418: Receptor Binding Properties of a Novel Cholinergic Channel Ligand, J.P. Sullivan, D.J. Anderson, J.R. Pauly, M. Williams and S.P. Arneric
- P28 ABT-418: *In Vivo* Profile of a Novel Cholinergic Channel Activator (ChCA) for the Potential Treatment of Alzheimer's Disease (AD), M.W. Decker, J.D. Brioni, M.J. Buckley, P. Curzon, A.B. O'Neill, D.J.B. Kim, M. Majchrzak, K. Marsh, S. Quigley, A.D. Rodrigues, R. Radek, J.P. Sullivan and S.P. Arneric
- P29 Improvement in Performance of a Delayed Matching-to-Sample Task by Monkeys Given ABT-418, a Novel nAChR Activator for Memory Enhancement, J.J. Buccafusco, W.J. Jackson, A.V. Terry, Jr., K.C. Marsh, M.W. Decker and S.P. Arneric
- P30 Autoradiographic Comparison of [^3H]-Cytisine and [^3H] ABT-418 Binding in Rat Brain, J.R. Pauly, S.P. Arneric, M. Williams and J.P. Sullivan

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- P32** Epibatidine and Related Analogs Compete with ^3H -Cytisine with High Affinity for Binding to Rat Brain Cortical Membrane Preparations, D.M. Wypij and T.Y. Shen
- P33** Pharmacological Effects of Epibatidine, a Potent Nicotinic Agonist, M.I. Damaj, K.R. Creasy, J. Rosecrans and B.R. Martin
- P34** (\pm) Epibatidine Elicits a Diversity of Nicotinic Receptor-Mediated Effects, J.P. Sullivan, A.W. Bannon, D. Donnelly-Roberts, D.J. Anderson, M. Piattoni-Kaplan, M. Gopalakrishnan, M.W. Decker and S.P. Arneric
- P35** Epibatidine is a More Potent Desensitizer of Neuronal Nicotinic Receptors than Nicotine, R. Loring, T. McHugh, X. Zhang and J. McKay

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MEASURING INCREASES IN MESOLIMBIC DOPAMINE AND RELATED SUBSTANCES IN RESPONSE TO SYSTEMIC NICOTINE USING IN VIVO ELECTROCHEMISTRY. G.C. Parker and P.B.S. Clarke Dept. of Pharmacology, McGill University, Montreal, Canada H3G 1Y6.

Many of the psychopharmacological properties of tobacco smoking are believed to be mediated by central nicotinic receptors (nAChRs). The locomotor stimulant and reinforcing effects of nicotine in rats are blocked by a selective loss of mesolimbic dopamine innervating the ventral striatum. Using selective and non-selective electrochemical probes, we have monitored the release of DA alone and also the levels of DOPAC and ascorbate, in the nucleus accumbens following systemic administration of nicotine (0.4 mg/kg s.c.) in unanaesthetized freely-moving rats. The increase in current observed at the dopamine-selective probe was seen to be maximal within 20 min and returned to baseline after 60 min. In contrast, the increase in signal at the non-selective probe was maximal at 2 hr and returned to baseline after 5 hr. The superior frequency of sampling afforded by in vivo electrochemistry has clear advantages. In particular, it should enable us to characterize rapid neurochemical changes in response to nicotine when the drug is given in ways that more closely mimic the pharmacokinetics of smoking.

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CHRONIC NICOTINE-INDUCED COGNITIVE FACILITATION ARE CORRELATED WITH CHANGES IN THE NICOTINE BINDING SITES. F.A. Abdulla, E.J. Bradbury, M.-R. Calaminici, S. Wonnacott, J.D. Stephenson, J.D. Sinden and J.A. Gray. Dept. of Pharmacology, University of Alberta, Canada, Depts. of Neuroscience and Psychology, Institute of Psychiatry, London, and Dept. of Biochemistry, University of Bath, Bath, U.K.

The present study investigated the role of nicotinic receptors in chronic nicotine-induced cognitive facilitation. (-)-Nicotine tartrate (2mg/kg) and mecamylamine (1.0 mg/kg) were administered to different groups of rats twice daily for 10 days. A third group received the same dose of nicotine for one day and the vehicle (saline) for 9 days. Beginning 24h after the final drug injection, the rats were compared to a vehicle control group on acquisition of a hidden platform in the Morris water maze over 20 trials with 30-min inter-trial interval. The rats were killed 48h after the last drug injection and their frontal cortex (FC), entorhinal cortex (EC), posterior cingulate cortex (PC), dorsal hippocampus (DH) and ventral hippocampus (VH) were rapidly dissected to be assayed for nicotinic binding sites. Chronic treatment with nicotine significantly increased the number of FC, EC and DH but not the PC or the VH binding sites and improved the rate of learning. Chronic treatment with mecamylamine significantly increased the number of FC but not the other regions nicotinic receptors and decreased the rate of learning. Nicotine given for one day increased the EC (but not other regions) binding sites and increased the rate of learning but failed to match the rats receiving nicotine for 10 days. There were significant correlations between the EC, DH and PC (but not FC or VH) nicotinic receptor numbers and the rate of learning during acquisition but not with performance at asymptote. The results may indicate that chronic nicotine increased cholinergic transmission which in turn induced learning facilitation. Supported by R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co.

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